## Reaching Men Inside And Outside Of The Church With The Gospel!



Dear Friends,

I hope you are all enjoying these last few days of summer. I am holding onto every last ounce of summer that I can. I LOVE summer! However, one consolation for summer winding down is that football season is revving up! (I'm so pumped that my Broncos finally have a good quarterback—watch out, world!).

The summer ending brings with it a new season of Men's Ministry as many men's groups kick off Fall after taking off for the summer. We actually just did a whole podcast about this topic, it will be available September 12th, and you can listen to it at https://www.mantourministries.com/mantour-guy-podcast or wherever you get your podcasts. Check it out! But I am not quite ready to say goodbye to summer, I am determined to eke out every last moment of it!

This summer has been very busy for us. Almost every weekend, we've had the opportunity to travel for ministry. During the week, we've been busy planning for next year's conferences and working on next year's resources. Sticking with the theme that it's still summer, let me tell you about what we've been doing in August.



It started when I was able to travel north to do one of my favorite things: speak to a group of guys at a Men's Event. What an event this was!! It was fantastic to join men from Harvest Fellowship in Trucksville, PA, for their annual Clam Bake. Getting back to nature, these guys spent the afternoon fishing and skeet shooting before enjoying an incredible meal of grilled steak and clams.

After they ate, I shared and challenged the men to live like Noah and walk in obedience to God. It was an amazing afternoon, and I enjoyed being with this church's men. Just to

give you a taste of how beautiful the surroundings were, here's a picture Adessa took while she was waiting for me in the car. Rough day for her, huh?!?

The next event is an event that we've been waiting two years to hold: our annual Teen Challenge Mantour Conference in Rehrersburg, Pa. As many of our

long-time friends know, every year, Mantour Ministries offers the same Mantour Conference that we hold all over the Penndel/Potomac Districts over the spring to the men at the Teen Challenge Training Center for FREE. Since the beginning of Mantour Ministries, this has been one of our favorite events. But, of course, like everything else, the Covid-19 virus did not allow us to hold this event in 2020 and 2021. Thank God we were back and determined to be better this year as we again ministered to the men at the Teen Challenge Training Center.

I was so blessed to partner with some amazing men of God who volunteered their time to minister to the men at the center. First, we were so blessed to have Pastor Brad Price, our ministry volunteer Ethan Price, and other men from Connect Church and Mt. Zion Church drive from Alum Bank, PA, to lead worship. I cannot express how grateful I am for them! When I talked to my contact at Teen Challenge, he said that since Covid, they didn't have live worship at the center. Worship was mostly happening via soundtracks. Well, as good as that is, I determined right then and there that we would find a worship band for the conference. When I shared this with Pastor Brad, he and his guys stepped up, brought their equipment, gave up their Saturday,

and drove to Rehrersburg. They did a phenomenal job and led the guys into

the presence of God.

After worship, I delivered my "Ride or Die" message for the last time. Adessa and the other speakers counted how many times they'd heard this message. (Several of them had been to multiple Mantours in 2022.) Of course, Adessa heard it the most times. However, for the guys at the center, it was their first time to hear and be challenged to ride or die together, ride or die for the truth, and hear that when you ride or die with Jesus, He will ride or die with you. As we saw the men fill the altar, we remembered why we did this event and why the speakers and worship team volunteered—to minister to men. Before we left that day, we heard testimonies of men who were challenged. One leader told us he had six men come to him with questions or for prayer regarding something they heard. That's all possible because of YOU!!!







After the main session, we broke off into workshops. In one room, Pastor Brad challenged the men to "Ride or Die Together." In another room, Duane Goodling shared about "Ride or Die to Mend Broken Relationships." I've heard both of these workshops, and they are powerful messages that gave the men practical teaching they can apply in their lives.

Meanwhile, Pastor Stephen Ritchey was speaking on "Ride or Die for the Holy Spirit's Power" back in the chapel. I got to sit in on part of this session, which was powerful!! Even more impressive was

seeing men fill the altar, hands in the air, seeking the power of the Holy Spirit and to be filled with the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Pastor

Ritchey even had a word of knowledge for one man. They were having church!! His workshop will leave a lasting impression on all who attended.

Pastor Ritchey also brought two young men from his church who were graduates of the Teen Challenge program to encourage the men and give them hope after graduation. Their testimonies were powerful, and they connected with the guys.

Another important part of the Teen Challenge Mantour comes from YOU and everyone who donated to the 2022 Mantour Challenge. Because of your generosity, we could give every man who can attend the conference a free copy of the "Ride or Die" book and a free copy of the "Ride or Die Daily Devotional." We also left copies for the men who could not be there and to put in the library to reach the men in the detox program who could not attend the Mantour.



The men were so appreciative! They kept thanking us and telling us how much they appreciated the books. Several mentioned they were going to do a small group with the book...YES! It was a fantastic day min-

istering to the men at Teen Challenge.

This event is only made possible by the monthly support we receive from our ministry partners. Their monthly giving allows us to take the same conference we offer to men across the PennDel and Potomac District for free and to donate these books or reach any of the men and women we do. If you are already a monthly financial partner...thank you! We appreciate you so much.

If you are not a monthly supporter, WHY NOT?!? You need to become a part of everything God is doing through our ministry! Please pray about if you and/or your church could become a monthly financial partner with Adessa and me. We would love to have you and/or your church join our financial support team as we continue to reach men and women inside and outside the church with the Gospel.

If you cannot financially commit to becoming a monthly partner, would you pray about you and/or your church making a one-time donation to our ministry to help us during this time of inflation and higher costs?

Maybe you could send a gas card to fill our tank for one of our ministry trips?

I ask you to please seek God and be open to His prompting.

To make a one-time donation or set up a recurring support schedule, go to: <a href="https://giving.ag.org/donate/700001-281396">https://giving.ag.org/donate/700001-281396</a> to give to my Missionary Associate Account.

- -Click "Give Now"
- -Click "Set up Recurring Gift" or make a one-time donation.
- -You can also send a check directly to us at 1109 East Colliery Avenue, Tower City, PA 17980.

Thank you in advance!

I believe the best is yet to come for this ministry. I am excited to start working on the 2023 Mantours! The theme is set (I'm still gonna keep you in suspense on that one for now), we are almost completely rebooked, and we are going to try and do more locations in 2023! The new book is starting to come into form in my head, and we are going to try and do another Bible plan in paperback form. A lot is coming up in the coming months!

Thank you for your support as we head forward to YEAR TEN of Mantour Conferences!

Have a great summer!!

Reaching men together,

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## I'd love to come share at YOUR CHURCH

I am booking now for July-November of 2023 and I'd love to add your church to our schedule!

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## **PRAY REQUESTS:**

We are so appreciative of your prayer support. Please pray for:

- 1. Please pray for upcoming PennDel/Potomac Forged by His Fire Men's Conference. Pray that men's lives are changed and for a mighty move of the Holy Spirit through the entire weekend!
- 2. Please pray for Ethan to be able to raise his full fundraising goal so he can cover the expenses to travel and serve at the 2023 Mantour Conferences.
- 3. Please continue to pray that God will completely heal my body of the neurological disease causing so much pain in my foot. Also pray that God heals the injury to my bicep. You all know I'm ride or die for Men's Ministry, but it would be great to minister without pain.
- 4. Would you please pray for God to move hearts so we can raise our full missionary budget? There can be no more delay. It must be done. Also, please ask God how much you can give to our ministry monthly and then obey what God tells you to give.

## **JOIN THE TEAM:**

I am in need of individuals and men's ministries to partner with me as a Missionary Associate on a monthly basis. I work on Mantour Conferences and the Mantour resources full time year round, and would value your financial support. Will you prayerfully consider partnering with me and with Mantour Ministries on monthly or yearly basis? You can give online at www.giving.ag.org using Account Number 2813962 (make sure to check the box for Faith Promise), or print and return the form below using account Number 2813962.

